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following numbers of railroad cars were loaded in East Germany from 7 through 10 February 1953:

Date in February	Total	For Occupation Forces	With Coal	With Fertilizers
7	24,626	352	9,112	1,171
8	18,624	276	7,790	1,013
9	23,853	719	8,040	1,102
10	24,890	490	8,500	1,190 1

2.

the following numbers of railroad cars were loaded for the Soviet occupation forces, and with coal, in the railroad districts mentioned, from 22 through 31 January 1953:

Date in January	Berlin SCC Coal	Greifswald SCC Coal	Schwerin SCC Coal	Cottbus SCC Coal
22	75 117	20 12	-- 78	16 2150
23	63 81	77 11	7 53	2 62
24	61 79	46 15	12 59	11 2203
25	30 50	69 18	11 32	13 2081
26	129 94	21 10	5 70	-- 2185
27	77 95	17 22	2 76	68 2239
28	122 99	7 12	-- 79	-- 2175
29	96 102	16 8	7 53	-- 2098
30	133 106	39 16	11 81	17 2243
31	51 109	8 10	86 58	55 2221

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Date in January	Magdeburg		Halle		Erfurt		Dresden	
	SCC	Coal	SCC	Coal	SCC	Coal	SCC	Coal
22	15	612	43	4724	32	704	73	397
23	22	701	32	4921	19	673	48	420
24	18	666	99	4912	79	674	17	437
25	2	656	11	5012	27	362	1	394
26	7	713	111	5090	122	589	43	410
27	59	712	73	4913	52	664	8	372
28	16	797	85	4289	93	731	11	384
29	45	663	19	4631	34	749	31	410
30	43	680	21	4789	28	761	10	398
31	14	747	92	4621	104	767	23	426

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1. Comment. As compared with the last reported period, the total loading performance of the East German railroads decreased slightly. This decrease is believed to be due to operational difficulties, because the number of cars requested remained constant. The loading performance for the Soviet occupation forces was normal. It probably predominantly served supply traffic.

2. Comment. These data supplement information contained in previous reports and break down the number of cars loaded for the Soviets and loaded with coal according to the eight railroad districts.

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